



COUNCILMEMBER BENJAMIN HUESO
CITY OF SAN DIEGO – COUNCIL DISTRICT 8
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**COUNCILMEMBER BEN HUESO IDENTIFIES DILAPIDATED HOME FOR
RENEWAL**

This will be the Councilmember's second residential clean-up this month. Cleaning up dilapidated residences is one part of his long-term strategy to restore pride and respect in District 8.

San Diego, CA.....How is the City expected to keep the streets and public spaces clean and safe if private residences cannot or do not maintain the appearance of their homes? Councilmember Hueso believes respect for one's community starts at home. Many District 8 residences desire to clean-up their homes, but may be on fixed-incomes or are simply too poor to do so. For these reasons he has endeavored to begin chipping-away at structural problems like this in District 8.

On February 4, the Councilmember chopped down weeds, picked up litter, and brought uniformity to walls, facing Palm Avenue, that were checkered with graffiti touch-ups. Simultaneously, he helped crews clean up the home of a man on fixed-income on Byrd Street.

This **Thursday, February 16, 2006** at 2035 Franklin Avenue in Logan Heights Councilmember Hueso will be cleaning up, with the help of Alpha Project, another residents' home. The home make-over **will begin at 6:30 a.m.**

The owner of the home recently passed away from cancer at the age of 53. Her mother, Yva Woodson, is now the owner of the home. However, she is in her eighties and not up to the task of cleaning up the house. She has delegated responsibility for cleaning up the home to her son Richard Woodson, who gave the Councilmember permission to help clean-up the property.

"I hope that my efforts to help clean up private homes become contagious," the Councilmember said. "We can't fix every house in District 8, but we can set an example for others."

WHEN: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2006 @ 6:30 A.M.

WHERE: 2035 FRANKLIN AVENUE (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

WHO: COUNCILMEMBER BEN HUESO, RICHARD WOODSON, ALPHA PROJECT